(xi) Medicinal Plants Cultivation of Legums Food Processing Ringal, Agro-Forestry, Cold Water Fisheries, Community Economic Tourism, Essential Oil Distribution and Polyhouse Vegetables Cultivation	Pithoragarh (Uttar Pradesh)
(xii) Horticulture (Organic Vegetable Cultivation and Trading, Potato Seed Multiplication) Poultry and Wasteland Development)	Jabalpur (Madhya Pradesh)
(xiii) Vegetable, Flower Seed production, Acquaculture, Irrigation & Water-Management, Soil Conservation, Land Development Sericulture, Live-stock, Non-Farm Sector, Agro-processing Wasterland Development, Agro-forestry Marketing, Storage and Export on Commercial lines.	Pune (Maharashtra)

2. **Projects implemented:**

(i) An Agri-Business Information Centre has been set up at Chandigarh in association with Punjab Agro Industries Corporation.	(Pun
(ii) SFAC Kerala has been given 50.00 lakhs grant with which they are assisting Small farmers for value addition in their hands by taking up coconut wood and 'pandanus' based activities.	(Kerala)

Target for Rice and Wheat Production

2639. SHRI ANANTA SETHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for the production of rice and wheat during 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99; and

(b) the year-wise details thereof alongwith steps taken to increase the production of rice during 1999-2000 and also in the remaining years of Ninth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) and (b) The target fixed for the production of rice and wheat during the years 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99 were as follows:

(Million tonnes)

Year	Rice	Wheat
1996-97	81.00	65.00
1997-98	83.00	68.50
1998-99	84.20	70.00

For increasing the production of rice during 1999-2000 and also in the remaining years of Ninth Plan, a Centrally Sponsored Integrated Cereals Development Programme in Rice Based Cropping Systems Areas (ICDP-Rice) will be implemented in 17 major rice producing States/UT. Incentive are proposed to be provided on transfer of technologies through demonstrations and farmers' trainings. Assistance on use of certified seeds and selective mechanisation like power tillers etc. will also be provided under the programme.

गन्ने के उत्पादन के लिए योजनाएं

2640. **श्री राज मोहिन्दर सिंह:**
श्री बलवन्त सिंह रामुवालिया:

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने देश में गन्ने का उत्पादन बढ़ाने और इसकी उत्पादन लागत कम करने के लिए एक योजना को क्रियान्वित करने का निर्णय लिया है;